

Embassy of the United States of America

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MEDICAL APPOINTMENT INFORMATION

Prior to visa approval, each applicant for an immigrant visa must undergo a medical examination by an approved physician. Visa applicants are responsible for arranging an examination by one of the approved physicians before the scheduled visa interview.

The U.S. Embassy in Sarajevo maintains a panel of approved physicians. Their addresses are listed below:

Polyclinic "Eurofarm"
Dr. Eldina Cengic
Butmirska cesta 14
71000 Sarajevo
Tel. 033 773 020 or 033 773 032

Kosevo Hospital Doc. Dr. Bakir Kapetanović 71000 Sarajevo tel. 061 190 530 or 221 987 after 14:00

A blood test for antibodies for the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) is required for every applicant age 15 and over as part of the medical exam. HIV is the virus that is the cause of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndromes (AIDS). AIDS is the name given to a group of illnesses which may occur in persons infected with HIV. Infection with HIV causes a defect in a person's natural immunity against disease. This defect leaves infected people vulnerable to serious illnesses that would not usually be threat with an intact immune system. This test is not performed to diagnose AIDS, but to detect antibodies to the virus. If the result is positive (that is, if it indicates the presence of virus antibodies), it does not necessarily mean that you have AIDS or that you will get it.

The results of your test will be delivered to a consular officer. The examining physician may be requested to report the results of your test to the Bosnian health authorities. A positive test result means that you will not be eligible to receive a visa. A positive test result could also have consequences for your day-to-day activities in Bosnia and Herzegovina. For further information please check with your physician.

An immigrant visa **WILL NOT** be issued until the U.S. Consul has reviewed the results of the medical examination for each applicant. Applicants must also bring their vaccination records to the medical examination. Any required vaccinations or immunizations can normally be obtained from the examining physician.

Each panel physician charges the same fixed fee. The total fee for adults is 145 KM to 178 KM. Children are not required to undergo X-rays or blood tests. Applicants should discuss methods of payment with the physician at the time they schedule their appointment.



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IMPORTANT VACCINATION INFORMATION

Recent changes to United States immigration law now require immigrant visa applicants to obtain certain vaccinations (listed below) prior to the issuance of an immigrant visa. Panel physicians who conduct medical examinations of immigrant visa applicants are now required to verify that immigrant visa applicants have met the new vaccination requirement, or that it is medically inappropriate for the visa applicant to receive one or more of the listed vaccinations. A copy of the immunization schedule for immigrant visa applicants is on the reverse for your information and use.

In order to assist the panel physician, and to avoid delays in the processing of an immigrant visa, all immigrant visa applicants should have their vaccination records available for the panel physician's review at the time of the immigrant medical examination. Visa applicants should consult with their regular health care provider to obtain a copy of their immunization record, if one is available. If you do not have a vaccination record, the panel physician will work with you to determine which vaccinations you may need to meet the requirement. Certain waivers of the vaccination requirement are available upon the recommendation of the panel physician.

Only a physician can determine which of the listed vaccinations are medically appropriate for you, given your age, medical history and current medical condition.

VAŽNA INFORMACIJA O VAKCINACIJAMA

Nedavne promjene u Zakonu o useljenju Sjedinjenih država, uslovljavaju da podnosioci zahtjeva za useljeničke vize prime određene vakcine (navedene dole) prije nego im bude izdata useljenička viza. Ljekari koji imaju ugovor sa ambasadom Sjedinjenih država da obavljaju medicinske preglede podnosilaca molbi za useljeničke vize su sada obavezni da provjere da li su podnosioci molbi za useljeničke vize ispunili ove uslove ili da li je medicinski neprikladno za podnosioca molbi da primi jednu ili više navedenih vakcina. Kopija imunizacijskog kalendara za useljeničke vize nalazi se na poleđini ovog lista.

Da bi pomogli ovlaštenom ljekaru i da bi izbjegli odgode u procesiranju useljeničke vize, svi podnosioci molbi za useljeničke vize bi trebali imati svoje dokaze o vakcinisanju raspoložive na pokaz ljekaru u vrijeme medicinskog pregleda. Podnosioci molbi bi se trebali obratiti svom ljekaru da bi dobili kopiju kartona vakcinicija, ukoliko je to moguće. Ako nemate podatke o svom vakcinisanju, ovlašteni ljekar će vam objasniti koje od navedenih vakcina morate primiti da biste zadovoljili navedene zahtjeve. Pojedina izuzeća od zahtjeva za vakcinisanjem su moguća po preporuci ovlaštenog ljekara.

Samo ovlašteni ljekar može odlučiti koje od navedenih vakcinacija su medicinski prikladne za vas, uzimajući u obzir vaše godine, anamnezu i trenutno zdravstveno stanje.